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> Re: Certification of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for High Cost Support pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313-314 CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch & Ms. Majcher:

On March 8, 2011, by Order No. 3 of Docket 10-090-U, the Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC) granted the request of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (New Cingular Wireless) to be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) under the provisions of section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. A copy of Order No. 3 is attached to this letter, along with other documents which contain a description of the designated area and a list of the wire centers in which New Cingular Wireless has been designated an ETC. The APSC hereby certifies that New Cingular Wireless will use its 2011 federal high cost support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Should New Cingular Wireless fail to use its high-cost universal support in accordance with the Act, the APSC shall not continue to certify it on an annual basis and shall rescind its ETC designation.

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The Study Area Codes of the incumbent local exchange carriers where New Cingular Wireless has been designated by the APSC as an ETC are:

Windstream Arkansas, Inc.	401691
Northern Arkansas Telephone Company, Inc.	401713
Yelcot Telephone Company	401733

If any additional information is needed to assure certification of this carrier, please contact me. Please return a copy of this letter, noting your receipt, in the enclosed stamped, self addressed envelope.

Your courtesy and cooperation are appreciated.

Cordially,

Connie C. Griffin

Administrative Law Judge

cc: Timothy S. Pickering

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IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

) [7] TOCKET NO. 10-090-U) ORDER NO. 3

ORDER

On November 3, 2010, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T Mobility") filed in this Docket its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Arkansas ("Application") pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934 (the "Act") as amended, and the Rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). By its Application, AT&T Mobility requests certification as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the entire service areas (the "Designated Service Area") of three incumbent local exchange carriers (Windstream Arkansas, North Arkansas Telephone Company and Yelcot Telephone Company) for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support for its wireless service. The Application indicates that AT&T Mobility will comply with all applicable rules governing ETC designation required by the Federal Communications Commission and by the Arkansas Public Service Commission. AT&T Mobility filed a waiver of hearing on March 8, 2011.

Order No 2 of this Docket gave notice that any certified Arkansas telecommunications carrier desiring to participate as an Intervenor Party in this proceeding may do so and file comments or testimony on or before February 25, 2011.

The Secretary of the Commission was directed to serve a copy of this Order on all

certified Arkansas telecommunications carriers. There were no intervenors, and no objections to the granting of AT&T Mobility's request were received.

Based on the record in this docket, AT&T Mobility has established that the availability of wireless communications services to consumers would benefit the public health, safety and welfare by allowing consumers to choose from a variety of telecommunications providers and the variety of telecommunications services they offer. The wireless service offered by AT&T Mobility will provide these consumers with an alternative to traditional telecommunications service that can be used while at home and away from home. Inclusion of AT&T Mobility's wireless services will enable consumers to obtain wireless service which might otherwise be unavailable to these customers. The granting of AT&T Mobility's request is in the public interest.

For reporting purposes the pleadings filed in this Docket will be deemed sufficient for certification of ETC status to the FCC and the Universal Services Administrative Company for calendar year 2011. The ETC reporting requirements of Order No. 7 of Commission Docket No. 06-050-R shall apply to AT&T Mobility beginning with the report required for certification for calendar year 2012, which is required to be filed in 2011.

It is therefore ordered that the Application of AT&T Mobility for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on a wireless basis is granted, and AT&T Mobility is hereby authorized as an ETC to provide services via wireless operations throughout the Designated Service Area, and to participate in the mechanisms of the Universal Service Fund.

BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER PURSUANT TO DELEGATION,

This 8th day of March, 2011.

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Administrative Law Judge

Jan Sanders

Secretary of the Commission

I hereby certify that the following order leaved by the Artereas Public Service Commission has been served on all parties of record this date by electronic mail, using the email address of each certify as indicated in the official decisal file.

Secretary of the Commission